

Jennett's Park CE Primary School

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Communication re Class Teacher for Yellowhammers

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Dear Parents and Carers of Yellowhammers,

Happy New year. I am writing to update you today ahead of the start of term as to Mrs Brain (substantial class teacher for your class). Sadly, Mrs Brain will need more time off from school to recover from her illness. As with any illness it is hard to predict recuperation times and although we were hopeful she might return to us this next half term she will need more time. That is the right thing but I know you may be fearful of the impact on your children.

I have organised for another teacher to come join the Yellowhammers class- Mrs Natalie Jones is a well-known supply teacher to Jennett's Park CE and she will be with us as main lead until the February half term. Ms Deauville and Miss Killick will resume their normal duties and roles in support as HLTA and LSA respectively. I wish to thank them and Miss Knowles and Ms Szadowski for 'steadying the ship' so competently in the background. There are other additional Learning Support Assistants working under the guidance of Mrs Robinson and Ms Szadowski to assist in Yellowhammers.

Ms Szadowski will hold an additional optional early parents evening ahead of the February half term (remainder of school will see teachers after half term).

You may understandably feel anxious as to how this affects your child. As before the children in Yellowhammers will be completing their normal work in parallel to the other class.

<u>Please do talk to your child about this change so that fewer children feel surprised tomorrow.</u> We will take time to do this in class too but it is calmer if you have also talked to them.

If you have any other concerns during Mrs Brain's absence please make an appointment via the office to see Ms Szadowski (Deputy Head). If there are any further updates I will write to you as soon as possible.

A huge thanks to all of you who have been so kind and supportive to the process. It is more manageable knowing you are calmly raising concerns to us via the right channels.

Yours sincerely,

Liz Savage

Headteacher of Jennett's Park CE Primary





